●183 As a rule, there exist few codes for social behavior, and each individual is left to lead his life pretty much in his own way. A drive to keep up with the neighbors is noticeable, although it is not very significant, and usually a Finn resents any kind of interference with his personal life. On the other hand, a co-operative spirit is evidenced in various situations. One of these is the prevailing talkoot custom, which means that a group of people, both in the country and in the cities, donate their free time to work for a sick or needy neighbor. Many war-widows and invalids have had their homes built and their crops cared for in this war, and many communities have obtained a sports-field with this free assistance.

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